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*Whereas, The Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000 is designed to improve significantly both the financing and benefits of railroad retirement and to increase industry responsibility for the part of the program that is similar to a private pension plan;*

*Whereas, The Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000 was approved in a bipartisan effort by 391 members of the United States House of Representatives in the 106th Congress, including nine of the ten members of the Indiana congressional delegation;*

*Whereas, More than 80 United States senators, including Indiana Senators Richard Lugar and Evan Bayh, signed letters of support for this legislation in 2000;*

*Whereas, The bill, now before the 107th Congress, modernizes the railroad retirement system for 748,000 beneficiaries nationwide, including over 15,000 in Indiana;*

*Whereas, Railroad management, labor, and retiree organizations have agreed to support this legislation;*

*Whereas, This legislation provides tax relief to freight railroads, Amtrak, and commuter lines;*

*Whereas, This legislation provides benefit improvements*



*for surviving spouses of rail workers who under current law suffer deep cuts in income when the rail retiree dies;*

*Whereas, No outside contributions from taxpayers are needed to implement the changes called for in this legislation; and*

*Whereas, All changes will be paid from within the railroad industry, including a full share by active employees: Therefore,*

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives  
of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana,  
the Senate concurring:*

- 1       SECTION 1. That the Indiana General Assembly urges the United
- 2       States Congress to support the Railroad Retirement and Survivors'
- 3       Improvement Act in the 107th Congress.
- 4       SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
- 5       Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to the President of
- 6       the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the
- 7       Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and all
- 8       members of the Indiana congressional delegation.

